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SUBJ: CANDIDATE FOR CHAIRMAN OF IAEA BOARD OF GOVERNORS

REFS: A. IAEA VIENNA 6323; B. DAKAR 4654; C. IAEA VIENNA 5813

1. MISSION WISHES TO NOTE THAT FURTHER DELAY ON PART OF GOS IN OBTAINING AFRICAN SUPPORT FOR CISSE AS BOARD CHAIRMAN MAY CAUSE UNNECESSARY COMPLICATION FOR WHAT LAREADY PROMISES TO BE TROUBLESOME DISCUSSION AT IAEA GENERAL CONFERENCE AND RELATED BOARD MEETINGS.

2. THIS YEAR, THE GC AND BOARD MEETING AT WHICH NEW CHAIRMAN IS ELECTED TAKE PALCE IN RIO DE JANEIRO, AWAY FROM AGENCY'S HEAD-QUARTERS. IAEA SECRETARIAT, MANY OF WHOM HAVE DEPARTED FOR RIO OR EXPECT TO DEPART SHORTLY, SHOULD BE INFORMED INFORMALLY OF REGION'S CANDIDATE SUFFICIENTLY IN ADVANCE OF POST-CONFERENCE BOARD MEETING TO ADEQUATELY BRIEF HIM ON BOARD PROCEDURES. (NOTE THAT THIS WILL REQUIRE CISSE'S PRESENCE IN RIO DURING THE GC WHICH BEGINS SEPTEMBER 21.) MOREVOER, SHOULD CISSE NOT RPT NOT
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FIND HIMSELF IN POSITION TO BE NOMINEE, IT WILL BE EXTREMELY

DIFFICULT AT THIS STAGE TO FIND ANOTHER AFRICAN CANDIDATE MATCHING HIS QUALIFICATIONS.

3. IT APPEARS TO US THAT RATHER THAN ATTEMPT TO CAUCUS ALL AFRICAN MEMBERS OF AGENCY, SENEGAL'S NEED FOR AREA SUPPORT COULD BE FULFILLED BY OBTAINING APPROVAL ONLY OF TWO OTHER AFRICAN STATES WHICH WE UNDERSTAND WILL BE REPRESENTED ON NEW BOARD -- GHANA AND NIGERIA.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: IT WOULD AGAIN BE APPRECIATED IF EMBASSY WOULD CONTACT GOS AND REQUEST ITS URGENT ATTENTION TO THESE CONSIDERATIONS. PLEASE ADVISE BY PRIORITY CABLE WITH INFO AMCONGEN RIO DE JANEIRO.STONE

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